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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1348**

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**By** House Public Safety (originally sponsored by Representatives Appleton, Goodman, Tharinger, McBride, Walkinshaw, Clibborn, Sawyer, Riccelli, S. Hunt, Peterson, Tarleton, Robinson, Pollet, Senn, Ryu, Cody, Orwall, Kilduff, Lytton, Jenkins, Blake, Reykdal, Moscoso, Ormsby, and Gregerson)

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1       AN ACT Relating to requiring crisis intervention training for  
2 peace officers; adding a new section to chapter 43.101 RCW; and  
3 creating new sections.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.101  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7       (1) The commission shall provide crisis intervention training to  
8 every new full-time law enforcement officer employed after July 1,  
9 2017, by a state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency. The  
10 training shall consist of not less than eight hours and shall be  
11 incorporated into the basic training academy as provided in RCW  
12 43.101.200.

13       (2) The commission must ensure that:

14       (a) All full-time law enforcement officers who are certified  
15 after July 1, 2017, complete a two-hour online crisis intervention  
16 course that is incorporated into the annual training required by the  
17 commission for all certified officers.

18       (b) Each full-time law enforcement officer certified before July  
19 1, 2017, and employed by a state, county, or municipal law  
20 enforcement agency receives crisis intervention training by July 1,  
21 2019. The training shall consist of not less than eight hours and

1 shall be substantially similar in hours and content to the training  
2 offered through the basic training academy. Each attendee of the  
3 program shall be required to obtain written proof of completion of  
4 the program as provided by rules of the commission.

5 (3) The commission shall aim for at least twenty-five percent of  
6 all currently certified law enforcement officers assigned to patrol  
7 duties to have received enhanced crisis intervention training by  
8 December 1, 2019. The training shall be comprised of forty hours of  
9 commission-certified training. Any appropriated funds shall be used  
10 to train personnel who will implement the training on a  
11 geographically diverse basis.

12 (4) By July 1, 2017, the commission shall establish by rule:

13 (a) A program and standards to certify organizations, other than  
14 the commission, that may provide crisis intervention training as  
15 required under this section. Certified organizations must use a  
16 commission-certified training or curriculum to facilitate the  
17 training. The commission shall consider geographic training needs  
18 when considering programs and standards. The commission shall provide  
19 grants to law enforcement agencies with fewer than three hundred  
20 commissioned officers to assist with costs of sending officers to  
21 crisis intervention training;

22 (b) Standards for successful completion of the annual two hours  
23 of crisis intervention training as provided in subsection (2) of this  
24 section. The standards shall include, at a minimum, the requirement  
25 of successful completion of a written exam.

26 (5) For the purposes of this section, "crisis intervention  
27 training" means training designed to provide tools and resources to  
28 law enforcement officers in order to respond effectively to  
29 individuals who may be experiencing an emotional, mental, physical,  
30 behavioral, or chemical dependency crisis, distress, or problem and  
31 that are designed to increase the safety of both law enforcement and  
32 individuals in crisis.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of  
34 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not  
35 provided by June 30, 2015, in the omnibus appropriations act, this  
36 act is null and void.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 3.**    This act may be known and cited as the  
2    Douglas M. Ostling act.

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